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From The Staff ...

Major Ronald K. Replogle
Criminal Investigation Bureau



DNA & The *Real* CSI

On January 1, 2005, Missouri's enhanced DNA law—all felon and convicted offenders under Chapter 566 (certain misdemeanor sex related offenses)—went into effect. The Patrol had been collecting DNA from certain violent offenders and placing their profiles into the Combined DNA Index System (CODIS), which is also connected to a national database maintained by the FBI, since 1994. Under the new law, offenders' DNA samples are collected upon conviction or release from a state penitentiary. Prior to the new law's effective date, there were approximately 55,000 profiles in Missouri's CODIS database. Today, there are nearly 120,000 profiles in the system. There have been approximately 1,000 "hits" in the system with 678 of those hits occurring in 2006 (at the time of the writing of this article). Obviously, as more offender profiles are added to the system, more hits are occurring and, more importantly, more cases are being solved—many of which have remained unsolved for years. I would like to highlight one such case that investigators from the Patrol's Division of Drug and Crime Control (DDCC) have been involved in since it occurred in 1991.

On January 7, 1991, the semi-nude body of 18-year-old Stephanie Hogland was found in the ditch along Route W in Lincoln County. She had been badly beaten, raped, and left to die in the snow and freezing temperatures. Her abandoned car was located a short distance away in a driveway off Route W. She had been missing for two days and was last seen leaving a wedding reception during the early morning hours of January 6, 1991. A DNA sample was obtained and profiled from a piece of evidence collected from the scene. That profile was entered into the CODIS database. After numerous leads and investigative man-hours, the case had remained unsolved for nearly 16 years.

On October 30, 2006, an offender's DNA was collected and submitted to the Patrol for entry into the CODIS database. After a profile was completed, the sample was entered into the system and a "hit" on the profile from the Hogland case occurred on November 30, 2006. A suspect was developed in the case and the information was given to the Lincoln County Sheriff's Department and DDCC investigators for further investigation. On December 15, 2006, the suspect was arrested and charged with the first degree murder of Stephanie Hogland. The case is pending trial.

With the development and advances made in DNA evidence, criminal investigators now have a new and effective tool in helping solve or resolve cases, many which have been "cold" for years. The advances made in DNA extraction have rapidly changed in the last few years, making many items collected at crime scenes, possibly containing DNA, very important pieces of evidence. Not since the development of fingerprint evidence has a crime-fighting tool been developed that can conclusively and effectively place a suspect at the scene of a crime. The importance of conducting a good crime scene investigation (CSI) has never been greater.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ron Replogle". The signature is stylized with large, flowing loops.

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Recruits Christopher M. Turner, Manuel D. Miranda, and Amy K. Stagner are called forward during equipment issue for the 86th Recruit Class, which arrived January 8, 2007. There are 39 people in the class at press time.

4th Annual Toy Drive A Success!

By Sgt. Scott E. Meyer, Troop A

The Fourth Annual Trooper Michael L. Newton Toy Drive took place from November 24 through December 16, 2006. This toy drive is a cooperative effort by Missouri State Highway Patrol Troop A, the Kansas Highway Patrol, Krispy Kreme Doughnuts, The Children's Miracle Network, and the citizens we serve. It's designed to brighten the day of children who are forced to spend the Christmas holiday season in the hospital. All donations to the toy drive were delivered to kids at Children's Mercy Hospital and the KU Medical Center on December 21 and 22, 2006. Well over 1,000 toys—with an approximate value of \$10,000—for chil-

dren of all ages were donated.

Trooper Newton was tragically killed on May 22, 2003, on Interstate 70 in Lafayette County, while conducting a traffic stop. The death of Tpr. Newton has left a huge void in the lives of family, friends, and co-workers. This toy drive has proven an outstanding way to honor his memory. Thank you to all who helped make this event successful!



Children's Mercy Hospital employees sort toys donated through the Tpr. Michael L. Newton Memorial Toy Drive.



Santa sent elves from the Kansas Highway Patrol, the Missouri State Highway Patrol, and a Patrol kid to Children's Mercy Hospital with presents. Troop A participants included: (front row with KHP members) Sgt. Scott E. Meyer, Tpr. Bryan G. Graham, MVI II Michael S. Keene, DE III Chichota R. Watson, Sgt. C.L. "Chip" Drenon. (back row with KHP members) Mr. Daniel J. Green, Sgt. Daniel W. Green, Cpl. Ronald V. Meade, Sgt. Clark N. Stratton, CVO Sprv. I David O. Bagley, and DE III Pamela C. Ford.

Kansas Highway Patrol officers joined Missouri State Highway Patrol Troop A and Krispy Kreme representatives (Mr. Tim France and Ms. Janet Parker) to deliver Christmas to children in the Kansas University Medical Center. (Troop A employees taking part included: Sgt. Daniel W. Green, Sgt. Scott E. Meyer, CVO Sprv. I David O. Bagley, and Chief CVO James E. Vanzandt.)



Spirit Of Christmas Lives On!

By Sgt. Daniel W. Green, Troop A

Hurricane Katrina caused a lot of heartache and sorrow throughout our nation in 2005. That year, employees of Troop A unanimously voted to cancel their Christmas party and use that money to help make Christmas a little brighter for some of the victims of Katrina.

The "Spirit of Christmas" lives on in 2006! Employees of Troop A once again overwhelmingly voted to support those in need during this Christmas holiday season. A family of six identified through the Fort Osage Caring Community in Independence; a single mother with four kids identified through the Bishop Sullivan Center in Kansas City; a family of four related to a Patrol employee; and over 200 young children and their families at Children's Mercy Hospital and KU Medical Center received the greatest gifts of all—love, hope, and joy, from

an organization dedicated to the safety and well-being of others.

Many lives have been touched by the interaction of officers with those in need and the media coverage of the Trooper Michael Newton Toy Drive. It's impossible to measure how much our efforts have impacted people's lives or the general public's attitude of the Missouri State Highway Patrol. In the grand scheme of things, the number of people whose lives were touched by the generosity of Troop A employees and others is just a speck on the tip of the iceberg! Only now, the tip has been softened just a bit ... and maybe the circumstances are a little more bearable.



Sgt. Scott Meyer and Sgt. Dan Green deliver Christmas to one of the three families adopted by Troop A employees.

Christmas Traditions

TROOP B ADOPTS FAMILY

By Sgt. Brent J. Bernhardt, Troop B

Employees of Troop B continued a Christmas tradition of sharing holiday cheer and goodwill with a less fortunate family in the Macon area. This year's "adopted family" was selected from a list provided by Macon County Ministries "Helping Hands". Troop B's "family" consisted of a single parent living in Macon, with four children ranging from ages two months to 13 years. The annual Troop B adopted family project is a result of yearly fund-raising projects, and the collection of donations from Troop B employees and retirees. During this year's effort to raise funds, Troop B secretaries held luncheons and bake sales, and a special raffle was held at the Troop B Christmas party. A total of \$821 was raised, allowing Christ-

mas gifts and food items to be purchased for the family.

On December 21, 2006, after all of the gifts were beautifully wrapped,

several employees escorted "Santa" (Lieutenant Mike Platte, Q/DDCC) in patrol vehicles to the family's residence where he was able to make his special delivery. The children were very excited to see Santa and his "elves" busy distributing the many gifts of kindness. The joy and appreciation shown by the family once again proves: "It is better to give than receive."



Santa's sleigh is being loaded by elves Clerk IV Paula L. Fry, Clerk Typist III Julianne Samel, LR&E Control Clerk III Sherri D. Miller, Criminalist II Amanda R. Neely, Clerk Typist Tena von Thun, Tpr. Nathan E. Wood, and Cpl. Steven V. Wilhoit (Q/DDCC).

Troop H Helps Families In Need

By Sgt. Sheldon A. Lyon, Troop H

When the Christmas season comes along each year, most of us realize how fortunate we are to have enough for our families. There are some who—for different reasons—need assistance to provide for their families. Each year, the employees of Troop H reach out to families in need. This year, the troop adopted two families with children, and employees donated presents or money. Because of this, these households shared Christmas and received much needed help.

One of the families has such a large need, that Troop H has agreed to continue aiding the family throughout the year to help the five children and their mother. Giving brings joy to that person as well as the receiver. Merry Christmas to all of you!



Christmas gifts await delivery by Troop H employees.

Association Recognizes Hammond's Assistance

On October 18, 2006, the Midwest Anti-Auto Crime Association (MAACA) recognized Mr. Kenny Hammond for his many years of assistance in combating auto thefts in the state of Missouri. He received a Certificate of Appreciation for his service to the organization. MAACA is an organization composed of law enforcement, NICB investigators, and insurance companies who work together to help reduce auto theft crimes.

Mr. Hammond was supervisor of the Motor Vehicle Bureau within the Division of Drug and Crime Control before he retired on May 31, 2006. He had been employed with the Motor Vehicle Bureau for over 30 years. The Motor Vehicle Bureau assists law enforcement with titling and licensing information for vehicles as well as driver license information. It is also the liaison office between the Department of Revenue and the

Highway Patrol. Mr. Hammond is currently employed at the Missouri Information Analysis Center (MIAC).

Congratulations, Mr. Hammond, on this well deserved recognition!



Pictured from left to right are: St. Louis County Police Department Detective Tim Silver, Mr. Kenny Hammond, and Sgt. Keverne L. McCollum, Q/DDCC.

Highway Safety Applauds Fillipi's Enforcement Efforts

By Sgt. Daniel S. Bracker, Troop D

On Wednesday, November 29, 2006, Missouri State Highway Patrol Corporal Russ Fillipi was recognized and accepted an award for his outstanding enforcement efforts to promote highway safety. The presentation was made during a ceremony during the annual traffic safety conference sponsored by the Office of Highway Safety and held in St. Louis.

The Missouri Department of Transportation's Office of Highway Safety sponsors these annual awards and recognizes recipients in each of the Missouri Department of Transportation's 10 regional districts. Working within each of these 10 regions are localized "Blueprint for Safer Roadways" coalitions whose

primary mission is to coordinate activities promoting the reduction of traffic crashes causing fatalities and serious physical injuries. Cpl. Fillipi was nominated by the Regional District Eight "Blueprint" committee that coordinates highway safety activities within a 12-county region. He won the award based upon his consistent and long-term enforcement of traffic regulations, particularly speed, careless and hazardous driving, and driving while impaired. Missouri State Highway Patrol Major Dale Penn presented the award at a luncheon ceremony held at the Adams Mark Hotel in downtown St. Louis before about 300 attendees. Also in attendance were Cpl. Fillipi's wife, Nicole, and their three children, Eric, Sam, and Darby.

Cpl. Fillipi is a 15-year member of the Patrol and an assistant zone supervisor in Dallas and Hickory counties. His responsibilities include supervision of personnel, traffic enforcement, education, and instruction of fellow law enforcement officers. He has continually led by example in DWI arrests, tickets issued, and warnings. Cpl. Fillipi is respected by his peers and the community, and has provided remarkable service through his dedication to safety and attention to the motoring public.

Congratulations, Cpl. Fillipi! You are truly a gentleman who enforces the law and promotes safety upon Missouri's highways!

Hoo-rah!

Word Tackles Marine Marathon

By Public Info. Spec. III Cheryl D. Cobb, Q/PIED

The few ... the proud ... the marathon runner who finishes the race. Lt. Greg Word, Q/AD, fits that description.

"My brother got involved in running marathons," said Lt. Word. "He is older than I am, so I decided I could do that."

His first marathon was September 2006 — the Lewis and Clark Marathon in St. Charles, MO. He ran with his brother, Blaine. But, this story is about his second marathon—the Marine Marathon in Arlington, VA. When Lt. Word's oldest son, Gabriel, joined the Marines in January 2006, his dad set a goal to run in the October 29, 2006, Marine Corps marathon.

"I told him I'd run with his unit patch on my shirt," said Lt. Word.

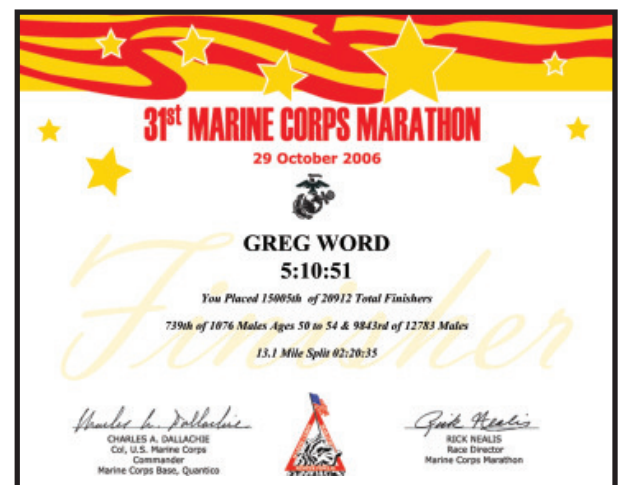
Patrol retiree Lt. Clifford Collier, a former marine, also talked to Lt. Word about the marathon. When registration opened in March, Lt. Word signed up. The organizers limit the marathon to the first 35,000 participants—just under that number signed up. Lt. Word ran the race in five hours and 11 minutes.

"I finished in the top 50 percent of the total entered. The marathon started outside Arlington Cemetery and finished at the Marine Corps memorial there in Arlington," said Lt. Word. "It was 26.2 miles. I don't know if I'll be able to do

that one again, but I've been looking at a marathon schedule in order to pick another one."

The organizers set up a web site, so family and friends could track participants' progress during the race. Now, photos of the event are on the web site. To see a picture of Lt. Word running the Marine Corps Marathon, go to www.marinemarathon.com. His bib number was 22154.

Lt. Word, we salute you!



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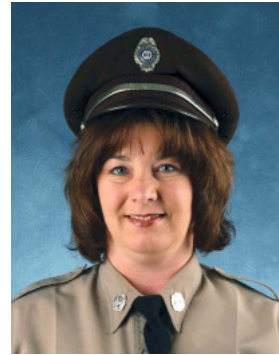
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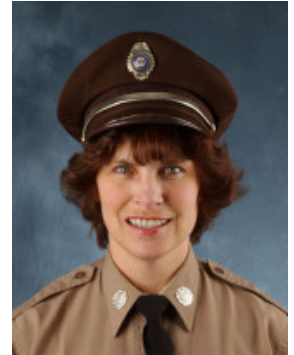
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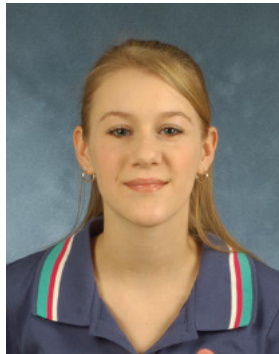
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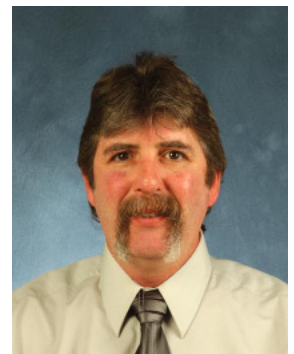
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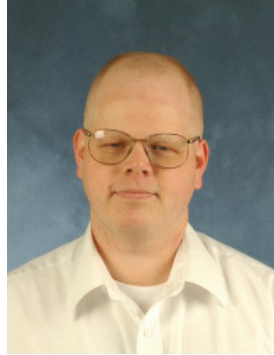
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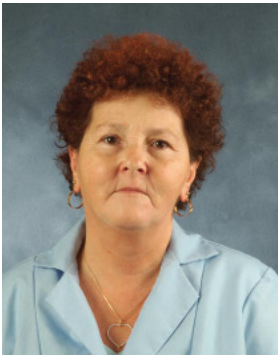
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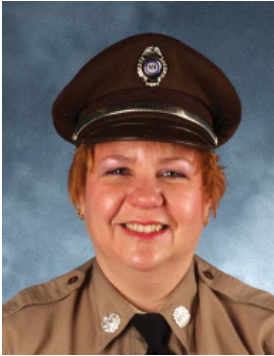
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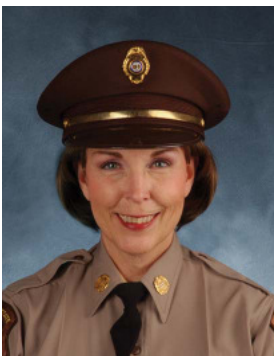
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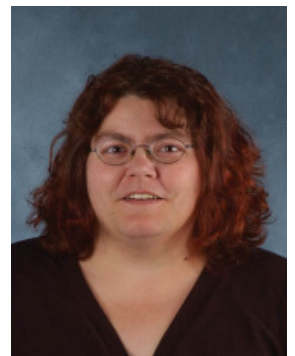
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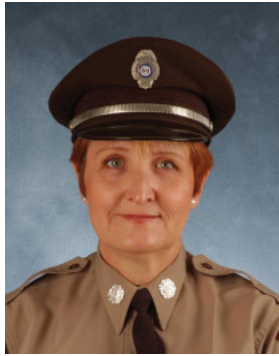


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You're Invited!

The Missouri State Highway Patrol annual awards ceremony and The MASTERS banquet will be held on Saturday, April 21, 2006, at the Holiday Inn Select, Columbia, MO. A social hour begins at 5:30 p.m., and the banquet starts at 6:30 p.m. The awards banquet is open to all employees and their guest/spouse. In the past, the fee has been \$30 per person, and we anticipate the same for this year. The banquet usually includes a social hour, with dinner immediately following, and then the presentation of awards. If you have any questions, please contact :

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CRID Employees Sew Stitches Of Love

By Criminal Records and Identification Division

Fingerprint Tech. II Joy Sweigart, Q/CRID, was deeply saddened when four members of the Patrol gave the ultimate sacrifice in 2005. Moreover, she was concerned for the children left behind after these tragedies. This brought back feelings she had felt with the deaths of Tpr. Bob Kolilis and Tpr. Dennis Marriott, also officers who were killed in the line of duty, and whom she had befriended years earlier. Joy expressed a wish to do something that would help the children. She chose to use one of her talents—quilting—to do just that. She enlisted the help of retired CRID employee Janette Moore, current CRID employee AFIS Entry Oper. I Carol A. Kampeter, and her sister, Linda Hulett. The four acquired several old Patrol uniforms, and after Janette

separated the uniforms into usable quilting material, Joy designed the quilt in the shape of a star to repre-

sent law enforcement. Janette and Joy assembled and hand quilted the fabric. Linda placed the insignias onto the quilt and Carol finished it by embroidering the names of the four fallen officers and additional information onto it. After the quilt was finished, Janette added the loops to make it a wall hanging.

To complete Joy's wish to use this quilt to help the children, it was decided that the quilt should be raffled off with all the proceeds to be donated to The MASTERS. Raffle tickets will be sold from now until April 15, 2007. The quilt will be on display at the Missouri State Troopers Association. You may purchase tickets through the Missouri State Troopers Association or by contacting Sgt. Steve Frisbie in the Criminal Records and Identification Division.

(l to r) CRID retiree Janette Moore, Fingerprint Tech. II Joy Sweigart, and AFIS Entry Oper. I Carol A. Kampeter, hold a quilt made in memory of the four troopers killed in the line of duty in 2005.



RAFFLE

Handmade Memorial Quilt honoring the four officers who made the Ultimate Sacrifice in 2005. Donated and made by: Joy Swiegart, Carol Kampeter, Janette Moore, and Linda Hulett.

Tickets: \$2 each or three for \$5. Make checks payable to MOSTA

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

Drawing will be held on April 15, 2007. All proceeds will be given to The MASTERS.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

ACTE Dawnda J. Pentlin



Appointed: February 1, 1981.

First Assignment: Radio Operator, Troop A.

Current Assignment: Assistant Chief Telecommunications Engineer, Troop A.

Promotions: 1990 — Telecommunications Engineer

Family: Dawnda and her husband, John, have been married for 25 WONDERFUL years. They are the proud parents of three children and grandparents of 10 children, ages two to 16. Dawnda's father was a maintenance person for Troop A for a number of years. He then served as a driver examiner in Grandview and Raytown until his death in 1993.

Interests: Dawnda's hobbies include needlework, Sudoku, and spending time with her grandchildren.

Dawnda was born in Kansas City. She graduated from Belton High School in 1972. While in high school, Dawnda was responsible for forming the first female basketball team in Belton High School during the 1971-72 school year. She attended the Electronics Institute of Kansas City for 18 months prior to her appointment to the Patrol.

Dawnda has the distinction of being the first female radio operator in the history of Troop A. Dawnda has trained numerous basic communications classes, MULES classes, and participated in MULES conferences.

She has also helped train numerous recruit classes on proper radio techniques.

Mr. Frank D. Offutt, mayor of Platte City, recognized Dawnda as a distinguished member of the Missouri State Highway Patrol, one who promotes the health, safety, and general welfare for the Missouri State Highway Patrol through the extension of her knowledge and expertise, by proclaiming Thursday, August 10, 2000, as "Dawnda Pentlin, MULES Trainer, Day".

Trooper Douglas Barklage



Appointed: January 1, 1996.

First Assignment: Troop A, Henry County.

Current Assignment: Troop A, Pettis County.

Family: Doug is married to Jamie (Adams), a native of Houstonia, MO. She is a nurse at Bothwell Hospital in Sedalia, MO. They have three children: Cole, 10; Brody, 7, and Julia, 4.

Interests: Doug's interests include hunting, fishing, riding bikes with his kids, and playing indoor soccer. He also enjoys helping coach his kids in soccer, basketball, and baseball.

Doug is a native of Sedalia, MO, and graduated from Sacred Heart High School in 1989. He graduated from State Fair Community College in 1991 with an associate's degree in law enforcement. He graduated from Cen-

tral Missouri State University (renamed University of Central Missouri) in 1993, with a bachelor's of science degree in criminal justice and a minor in sociology.

He worked for the Sedalia Police Department for two years prior to his appointment to the Missouri State Highway Patrol. Doug was assigned to Henry County after graduating from the Academy, and then transferred to his current assignment in Pettis County in 1997.

Doug received the Pettis County "Law Enforcement Officer of the Year" award in 2003 from the Sedalia Optimist Club. He said one of his memorable moments with the Patrol was being part of the Pope John Paul II detail in St. Louis, MO.

Radio Personnel Justin K. Parks



Appointed: October 17, 2004

First and Current Assignment: Radio Personnel, Troop B.

Family: Justin has been married to Rebekah (Willingham) for over four years. They have one daughter, Jessalyn, who is one year old.

Interests: He enjoys all sports, fishing, movies, and family time.

Justin moved to Macon, MO, when he was 11 years old. He graduated from Macon R-1 High School in 1998, and later obtained a general associate's of arts degree from Moberly Area Community College in

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IN THE SPOTLIGHT

-Parks

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Moberly, MO. Prior to his employment with the Patrol, Justin worked at Bentz G.M. Country in Macon, and was the assistant manager of the Macon C&R Grocery Store.

Justin became interested in a career with the Patrol after numerous conversations with his father-in-law, Retired Chief Radio Operator Larry Willingham. Justin says he really enjoys the Patrol environment, likes the people he works with, and finds it to be very interesting work.

Justin declares his "claim to fame" to be that he ate 18 "blazin' hot wings" in under five minutes at Buffalo Wild Wings to become an honorary member of the "Wall of Fire".

Trooper Eric F. Brown



Appointed: January 18, 2004; 82nd Recruit Class.

First Assignment: Troop C, north St. Louis County.

Current Assignment: Troop B, Zone 2, Macon and Shelby counties.

Family: Eric is married to Annavee (Hollman) and they have one son, Trey, who is four years old.

Interests: Hunting, fishing, and baseball.

Eric is a native of Huntsville, MO, and a graduate of Westran High School in Huntsville. Prior to his ap-

pointment with the Patrol, he attended Moberly Area Community College, and later served as a Randolph County deputy sheriff. After graduating from the Patrol Academy, he was assigned to Troop C, north St. Louis County. On June 1, 2006, Eric transferred to Troop B and was stationed in Macon.

Eric stated he had always been fascinated with law enforcement. He said

becoming a trooper became a goal of his during the time he served as a deputy sheriff and worked closely with troopers. He quickly saw their high standards and professionalism. Eric says he enjoys his job more than he ever thought he would, and couldn't think of any place he would rather work.

'Looking Beyond the Stop'

The following officers are to be commended for looking beyond the initial stop. Each of these officers made at least one felony arrest during the period of October 30 through December 30, 2006. *(Editor's Note: This column excludes DWI arrests, warrant arrests, and "plain sight" situations. Keep in mind that there must be information under the "miscellaneous" section of the report to be considered for this column.)*

Troop A

Sgt. D.S. Green, 3 arrests
Tpr. B.R. Lange, 1 arrest
Tpr. M.A. McClain, 1 arrest
Cpl. R.B. McGinnis, 2 arrests
Tpr. W.E. Oliver, 1 arrest

Troop B

Cpl. N.D. Berry, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.P. Johnson, 1 arrest

Troop C

Cpl. M.G. Broniec, 1 arrest
Tpr. S.M. Griggs, 1 arrest
Tpr. E.R. Kriete, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.E. Peabody, 1 arrest
Cpl. J.W. Robinson, 1 arrest
Cpl. R.A. Seaton, 3 arrests
Tpr. W.B. Sevier, 1 arrest

Troop D

Sgt. G.L. Braden, 2 arrests
Tpr. D.B. Carnagey, 1 arrest
Tpr. C.A. Heil, 1 arrest
Tpr. R.J. Rutledge, 2 arrests

Troop E

Tpr. N.T. Bratton, 2 arrests
Tpr. D.K. Heppe, 1 arrest
Sgt. J.T. Laramore, 2 arrests
Tpr. J.S. Stewart, 2 arrests

Troop F

Tpr. W.V. Ahrens, 1 arrest
Tpr. M.P. Fennwald, 1 arrest
Sgt. D.D. Spurgeon, 1 arrest
Tpr. T.D. Stegeman, 2 arrests
Tpr. J.A. Veasman, 3 arrests

Troop G

Cpl. S.W. Crouch, 2 arrests
Tpr. S.N. Foster, 1 arrest

Troop H

Tpr. T.I. Goolsby, 3 arrests
Tpr. J.R. Johnston, 3 arrests
Tpr. D.A. Landi, 1 arrest
Cpl. M.A. Wilhoit, 2 arrests

Troop I

Cpl. S.J. Childress, 1 arrest
Tpr. R.C. Creasey, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.E. Riggs, 1 arrest
Tpr. R.M. Shanika, 2 arrests
Cpl. J.J. Whitt, 1 arrest
Tpr. K.D. Wilmont, 1 arrest

DPS Recognizes Tpr. Keith A. Kinsey

By Public Info. Spec. Cheryl D. Cobb, Q/PIED

Missouri State Highway Patrol Trooper Keith A. Kinsey, Q/GD, was selected DPS Employee of the Month for November 2006! Tpr. Kinsey was selected for this award for the exceptional levels of police initiative and investigative skills he demonstrated during the month of August 2006. His initiative and skill resulted in the arrest of four suspects for various felonies and the identification of 19 other suspects who will be arrested and formally charged for felony crimes.

On August 10, 2006, Tpr. Kinsey was on duty. Radio traffic at Harrah's Casino made him aware of a second false fire alarm at the casino's hotel. He decided this was unusual and investigated. He located a male and female in the room where the false fire alarms had activated. His investigation resulted in the discovery of an active methamphetamine laboratory in the room. The smoke generated from the laboratory had set off the fire alarms. Both subjects were arrested and several items of paraphernalia seized along with a large quantity of "meth oil" and some finished product of methamphetamine.

On August 17, 2006, while on duty, Tpr. Kinsey was contacted by a cab driver who told him a passenger had just given him money with some red dye on it. Tpr. Kinsey was able to verify the dye was that used by a bank during a robbery. He used the surveillance cameras, located the subject, and determined through his investigation who the person was. While transporting the person to jail, it was discovered he had hidden an additional \$900 in dye stained money on his person in order to dispose of it. Tpr. Kinsey's investigation located \$400 of stolen money in casino machines—the subject was trying to "launder" by putting the money in and immediately cashing it out. He then took the voucher to the cage cashier to redeem for "clean money". The subject was linked to the armed robbery of the Pulaski bank in St. Louis, and an accomplice was also arrested.

On August 23, 2006, a cage cashier contacted Tpr. Kinsey while he was on duty. The cashier expressed concern about a personal starter check a patron was attempting to cash. Further investigation by Tpr. Kinsey revealed a

check cashing scam. One example was a suspect taking a homeless person to a bank to open up an account with \$25 to \$50, then printing fake checks on the account and attempting to cash them. Tpr. Kinsey's investigation led to one arrest and to identifying 18 other suspects involved in the scam. Tpr. Kinsey also shared the information about the scam with other casinos, resulting in an additional arrest. To date, it is thought these suspects have passed \$20,000 in fake credit union checks at Harrah's Casino, Ameristar Casino, and the President Casino.

All three of these incidents appeared as somewhat normal, routine matters on the surface. Tpr. Kinsey's instincts proved there was more to the story and resulted in all three cases being solved. Excellent work, Tpr. Kinsey! Congratulations on being named DPS Employee of the Month for November 2006!

February

- February 8** • **Tpr. R.W. Harper** died in 1987.
- February 12** • **Lincoln's** birthday
- February 14** • **Valentine's** Day
- February 16** • **Cpl. H.C. Bruns** died in 1987.
- February 16** • **Sgt. R.A. Guilliams** died in 2001.
- February 17** • **Sgt. R.V. Sullivan** died in 1996.
- February 19** • **Washington's** birthday observed.
- February 21** • **Tpr. G.W. Snodgrass** died in 1970.



DPS Deputy Director Brian C. Jamison presented the DPS Employee of the Month award for November 2006 to Captain Lester Elder, Q/GD, who accepted it on behalf of Trooper Keith A. Kinsey, Q/GD.

St. Louis Community Recognizes Valor

Schulte, Geier, Decker Go Above & Beyond

By Sgt. Al P. Nothum, Troop C

On November 16, 2006, Corporal Kenneth Schulte, Q/DDCC; Trooper Brian Geier, Troop C; and Trooper Jason Decker, Troop C; accepted the Medal of Valor from the Crusade Against Crime at the 37th annual awards banquet in downtown St. Louis. The medal represents the highest award the St. Louis community can bestow upon the men and women who protect the citizens of the Greater St. Louis area.

Sponsored by the Crusade Against Crime of America and the St. Louis Area Police Chiefs' Association, the Medal of Valor is presented in recognition of a conspicuous act of bravery exceeding the normal demands of police service.

The following is Cpl. Schulte's, Tpr. Geier's, and Tpr. Decker's story...

On Monday, August 1, 2005, Cpl. Schulte, Q/DDCC, Tpr. Geier, and Tpr. Decker arrived at an apartment building to conduct a narcotics investigation after an individual had agreed to turn over cocaine he had hidden at the apartment complex. Tprs. Geier and Decker were to stage at a nearby parking lot, while the individual re-



Major Ronald K. Replogle, Q/CIB, was present to congratulate Cpl. Kenneth Schulte, Q/DDCC; Trooper Jason Decker, Troop C; and Trooper Brian Geier, Troop C; for earning Medal of Valor awards from the St. Louis community.

trieved the cocaine for Cpl. Schulte. While driving to the apartment, a fire was observed in the adjoining apartment building. The officers also noted a suspicious vehicle leaving the adjoining parking lot.

Cpl. Schulte immediately informed Tprs. Geier and Decker to contact the local fire department and St. Louis County Police Department, and advise them of the potential arson. Furthermore, Tprs. Geier and Decker were directed to attempt to overtake and stop the suspect vehicle. Cpl. Schulte began awakening the resi-

dents of the apartments, telling them to evacuate.

When they couldn't locate the suspect vehicle, Tprs. Geier and Decker returned to the burning complex and assisted in evacuating residents. Through the officers' efforts, approximately 30 residents were evacuated before the building was engulfed and consequently destroyed.

Cpl. Schulte, Tpr. Geier, and Tpr. Decker extended themselves above and beyond the call of duty, risking their own safety and lives in a situation that demanded immediate action.

MoAPCO, MULES-CJIS CONFERENCE A SUCCESS!

Submitted by the Communications Division

The first MoAPCO MULES-CJIS conference was held September 24-27, 2006, at the Capitol Plaza Hotel in Jefferson City, MO. This was the first time the Missouri Chapter of the Association of Public Safety Communications Officials and the Missouri Uniform Law Enforcement System joined forces to provide a statewide training conference. Over 400 public

safety professionals from around Missouri were in attendance during the four-day event. The conference featured more than 40 training sessions and presentations for dispatchers, MULES operators, communications managers, and technical personnel. The hectic and diverse training sessions gave way to vendor receptions, afternoon soda-

shop break, a real casino style "speak-easy", and an awards banquet followed by an evening of music and entertainment. Planning for the next conference is under way and dates will be announced when they are available.

MISSOURI SPECIAL OLYMPICS EXPRESSES APPRECIATION

November 28, 2006

Colonel James F. Keathley
Superintendent
Missouri State Highway Patrol
P.O. Box 568
Jefferson City, MO 65102-0568

Dear Col. Keathley:

On behalf of the 14,502 Special Olympics athletes here in Missouri, I want to extend our congratulations to you, the current and past Missouri State Highway Patrol troopers and staff, on your 75th anniversary.

We, too, are celebrating our anniversary—our 35th this year. As we look back over our first 35 years, there are few organizations more involved or supportive than the Missouri State Highway Patrol. Our partnership now dates back some 20+ years. We can't begin to thank you and your thousand fellow troopers and staff, who have supported our efforts in those years. We are proud to be partners with such a highly respected agency, and we hope that during your 100th anniversary that our partnership will remain one of the finest in the country.

From all of us at Special Olympics Missouri, simply: THANK YOU. We truly wouldn't be where we are today without your continued commitment. We are forever indebted to your fine organization ... the people who make it happen each and every day.

Sincerely,

Mark C. Musso
President/CEO

2007 MOSTA Crappie Tournament

Saturday, May 5, 2007
7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Where: Truman Lake in Warsaw, MO, at Truman State Park Marina on Missouri Route UU North from Missouri Highway 7.

- ★ Biggest Crappie Contest!
- ★ Other Prizes Awarded!

Entry Fee: \$70 per boat entry; limit two fishermen per boat. (Your entry fee includes biggest crappie contest.)

Contact: MOSTA or Jeff Toal, P.O. Box 411, Warsaw, MO. 65355 or call (660) 723-0417 for a complete set of tournament rules and an official entry.

Family picnic will be held at Truman State Park shelter at 4:30 p.m. following the tournament. This tournament is open to all fisherman, as long as at least one team member in the boat is employed by a criminal justice agency in any capacity (includes retirees and active reserve members, too). Camping and motel facilities are available.

Attention Golfers!

The 2007 MSHP annual golf tournament will be held on Monday, June 11, 2007, at the Innsbrook Resort and Conference Center in Wright City, MO! Put this on your calendar. Information will be shared as it becomes available. The coordinator is Cpl. Jeff Myers, Troop C. He can be reached by e-mail at jeffery.myers@mshp.dps.mo.gov or by phone at Troop C 314-340-4000.



Randle Named 2006 Outstanding Scientist

By Public Info. Spec. III Cheryl D. Cobb, Q/PIED

The Midwestern Association of Forensic Scientists (MAFS) honored Criminalist III William A. Randle by bestowing upon him the title of Outstanding Scientist for 2006. Each year, the MAFS selects one criminalist from its approximately 1,000 members to honor. The Outstanding Scientist award is presented to a criminalist who has either helped improve the capability or accuracy of forensic examinations; demonstrated a high level of motivation, leadership, and contribution to the field of forensic science; or demonstrated a high level of knowledge and expertise in casework.

The award was presented to Criminalist Randle at the MAFS annual meeting in Indianaopolis, IN.

Criminalist Randle was surprised to receive the award. "I serve on the board, having just finished my term as secretary of MAFS," said Criminalist Randle. "The awards committee makes recommendations for the three awards MAFS presents each year. Those recommendations come to the board for



MAFS President Lee Brun-Conti, ATF, presents the Outstanding Scientist award to Criminalist III William A. Randle, Q/CLD.

approval. They hid the fact that I was a nominee, so I didn't know until the annual meeting that I had won the award."

Membership for MAFS hails mostly from Midwest states—Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, Nebraska, Minnesota, Illinois, Wisconsin, Michigan, Indiana, and Ohio. However, criminalists living outside the Midwest may also join. Members receive a newsletter and can attend work-

shops and training events for lower fees. MAFS provides opportunities for people to further their education in forensic science.

"We in the Trace Section are quite proud of Will," said Criminalist Sprv. Carl Rothove. "Of course, we feel this is well deserved!"

Congratulations, Criminalist Randle!

MVI Updates School Bus Inspection Program

By MVI Analyst III Brenda J. Davis, Q/MVI

The Motor Vehicle Inspection Division has reviewed current school bus inspection procedures and provided process updates that will make the inspection of school buses more efficient and provide the Patrol with more tangible statistics for the program.

The updated process will allow school districts and bus owners to make repairs to a limited list of items without receiving a rejection rating on initial inspection. The list includes clearance lights, ID lights, lenses/reflectors, emergency triangles, wipers, brake warning lights, high beam indicators, seats, faded paint on stop arms, lettering issues, and heater/defroster switches. These items are not being removed as rejectable crite-

ria; however, due to the minor nature of each issue, districts and bus owners will be given one opportunity to repair any items on this list on the day of inspection. Any repairs not completed prior to the Patrol's exit from the inspection location will be considered rejections and will be noted as such on all inspection records.

This positive change in procedure is the result of a collaborative effort of the Missouri State Highway Patrol, Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, Missouri School Bus Contractors' Association, and Missouri Association of Pupil Transportation. The Motor Vehicle Inspection Division anticipates that this simple change will, in addition to

alleviating any unnecessary stress to the school districts and bus owners of Missouri who participate in the annual school bus inspection program, also provide the Missouri State Highway Patrol with more valid statistical information regarding the true safety issues of school transportation. This increase in legitimate statistics will allow the Missouri State Highway Patrol the opportunity to provide the busing industry information that will directly influence the quality of transportation for Missouri's school children.

The 2007 School Bus Inspection Program, slated to begin on February 2, will be performed using these updated procedures.

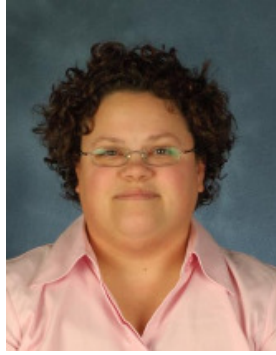
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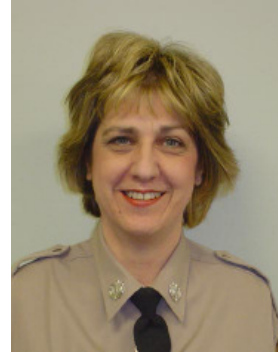
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Troop H



Aaron M. Clemens
Prob. Radio Personnel
Troop F



April R. Anderson
AFIS Entry Oper. I
Q/CRID



Jacqueline S. Baker
DE I
Troop A



Leigh Bayer
Criminalist I
Q/CLD



Karen M. Cade
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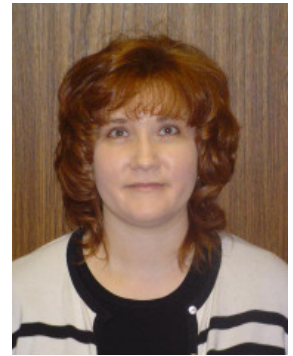
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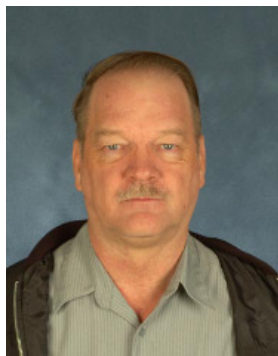
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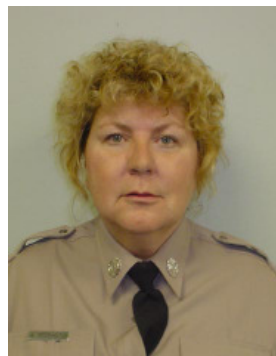
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Nathan I. Enders
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Richard L. Hagenhoff
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DE I
Troop A

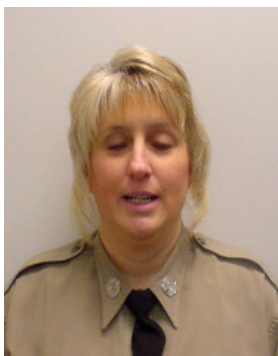


Jeremy M. Jones
Criminalist I
Q/CLD



Christa L. Moody
AFIS Entry Oper. I
Q/CRID

NEW EMPLOYEES



Nancy A. Mooney
DE III
Troop C



Erica M. Rehbein
DE I
Troop C



Andrew P. Richmond
Video Prod. Spec. I
Q/TND



John J. Skidmore
DE I
Troop A

Anniversaries

Note: The following employees are marking a notable anniversary of service with the agency.

February

30 years

Section Chief Robert K.
Mouser, Q/CommD

20 years

Chief MVI Roger D. Cross,
Troop F

15 years

CVO Sprv. I Ronald O. Abmeyer
Jr., Troop E
Fleet Control Coord. Todd E.
Diehl, Q/MED
CVO II Richard L. Fry, Troop C
DE Sprv. Jo L. King, Troop E
DE Sprv. Judith G. Mulholland,
Troop D
Criminalist Sprv. Debra A.
Oliveras, Q/CLD
Bldg. & Grnds. Maint. II Donald
R. Sheehy Jr., Troop E
DE Sprv. Donna K. Woody,
Troop D
Chief DE Julia A. Wall, Troop H
Lab. Recs. & Evid. Clerk III
Karen L. Choate, Q/CLD
Lead Radio Personnel Katrina
D. Gregg, Troop D

10 years

Cook III Theresa M. Baker,
Q/TND

DE III Dawna K. Martin, Troop A
CIT III Alan D. Sparks, Q/CVE

5 years

Clerk Typist III Marsha L.
Behrens, Q/MVI
Criminalist III Jennifer M.
Greene, Q/CLD

March

30 years

Chief CVO John M Adams, Troop
D
Lt. Wesley E. Benitz, Troop H
Cpl. Charles L. Brown, Troop C
Chief DE Suzette Dunnigan,
Troop C
Sgt. Richard L. Johnson,
Q/DDCC
Colonel James F. Keathley
Q/Staff
Major L.E. "Gene" Lacy, Q/SSB
Tpr. Baron D. Lyons, Q/GD
Major Hugh E. McKay, Q/ASB
CVO II Pamela J. Metzger,
Troop E
Sgt. David G. Miller, Q/GD
Lt. Terry R. Moore, Troop D
CVO II Raymond R. Oldsen,
Troop E

Clerk Typist III Mary E. Storie,
Troop I

Sgt. Terry M. Wilkinson, Q/GD
Sgt. Ronald R. Wood, Q/GD

25 years

CIT II Charles M. Herigon,
Q/ISD

Tech. Support Mgr. Dianne E.
Ruettgers, Q/ISD

20 years

Special Asst. Jeanette M. Muller,
Q/CIB

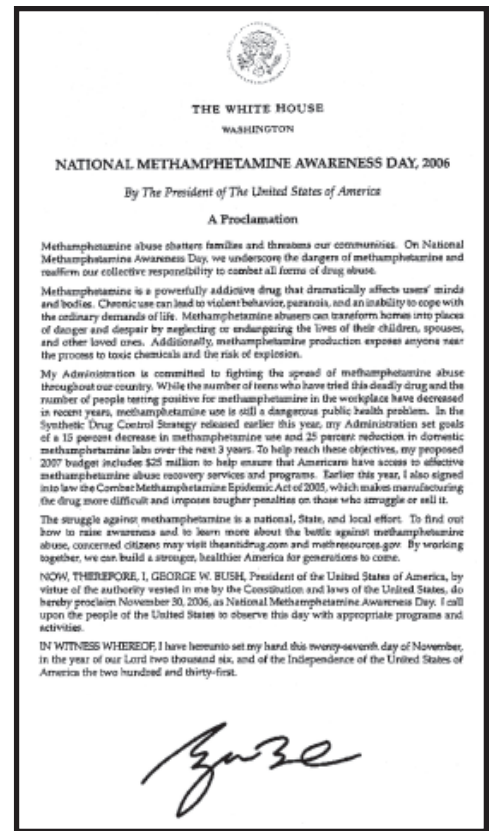
10 years

Lead Radio Personnel Terry L.
Carroll, Q/CommD
Telecom. Jeanette M. Chadwick,
Troop D
Radio Personnel William S.
Conner, Troop D
Lead Radio Personnel Vickie L.
Vogelsmeier, Troop A

5 years

CIT III Terry W. Jarvis, Q/ISD
Prob. Radio Personnel Kelly L.
Bowman, Troop D
Telecom. Douglas W. Sullivan,
Troop D

How Others See Us ...



Cpl. Steven Rudloff Accepts DPS Award

By Public. Info. Spec. III Cheryl D. Cobb, Q/PIED

In a ceremony December 18, 2006, Corporal Steven D. Rudloff accepted the DPS Employee of the Month Award for December 2006. Cpl. Rudloff was selected for this honor after his initiative and investigative skills.

It all began on July 25, 2006. Cpl. Rudloff was on regular patrol when he noticed a truck-tractor stalled on the roadway. He stopped to provide assistance and talked with the driver. During their interaction, Cpl. Rudloff became suspicious of the driver's actions and demeanor. When he tried to obtain additional information, the driver fled on foot. After a foot pursuit, Cpl. Rudloff was able to take the suspect into custody. He conducted a short interview and discovered the truck-tractor had been stolen only a few minutes earlier from a nearby business.

Further information indicated the involvement of an organized theft operation. Cpl. Rudloff initiated a criminal investigation leading to the discovery of approximately \$110,000 in stolen property and the arrest of four individuals. The success of this investigation and recovery of stolen property was made possible by the quick actions and alert observations of Cpl. Rudloff.

When presenting the award, DPS Director Mark James congratulated Cpl. Rudloff and expressed his appreciation for the job Cpl. Rudloff does. Director James presented a certificate and coin to Cpl. Rudloff, and showed those present the traveling plaque with employees of the month listed.



Cpl. Steven D. Rudloff accepts the DPS Employee of the Month Award for December 2006 from DPS Director Mark S. James.

"This started by Steven doing his job," said Colonel James F. Keathley, superintendent of the Patrol. "This is a great example of looking beyond the obvious and digging a little deeper. Steven, I appreciate the job you do."

TROOP A HONORS TWO PETTIS COUNTY RESIDENTS

Submitted by Troop A

Captain Vince Ellis, commanding officer of Troop A, recently had the privilege of presenting Honorary Trooper certificates to two Pettis County residents. The presentation was made at a local Lion's Club meeting at the Best Western Hotel in Sedalia, MO. The residents had acted quickly and decisively to save the life of a motorist involved in a traffic accident near their residence. The two individuals were David Carson and his son, Michael Carson, both of Mora, MO.

According to Trooper Mark DeGraffenreid, he was dispatched to the scene of an injury accident on Missouri Route U, near the Benton County line, at approximately midnight. He was advised that one vehicle was on fire and the other vehicle was overturned. Upon arriving at the scene, he observed two people with minor injuries, one with serious injuries, and one person fatally injured. Bystanders in the area stated that the seriously injured person had been



Trooper Mark DeGraffenreid nominated Mr. David Carson and Mr. Michael Carson for the award. Capt. Vince Ellis (far right) presented the awards.

pulled from the burning vehicle by local residents. The injured person was identified as Timothy Carr of Sedalia, MO.

Tpr. DeGraffenreid identified the individuals who had pulled Mr. Carr from his vehicle as David and Michael Carson of Mora, MO. The Carsons said Michael had heard the crash from his bedroom and immediately woke his father. The Carsons then drove to the scene where they pulled Mr. Carr from the burning vehicle,

just prior to the fire engulfing the passenger compartment.

Thanks to the efforts of the Carsons, Mr. Carr is alive and on the road to recovery. There is little doubt that without the efforts of Michael and David, Mr. Carr would not be alive today. Michael and David's actions were consistent with the high standards and traditions of the Missouri State Highway Patrol making them worthy of this recognition.

NORTHWEST MISSOURI CITIZENS COMPLETE CAP

By Sgt. Sheldon A. Lyon, Troop H

Fourteen students of the Troop H Community Alliance program graduated after a six-week familiarization class designed to educate members of the public about the Patrol. Each week, the class topic was a chance for all of the students to participate in hands-on exercises. The experience resulted in an appreciation for the work done by the men and women of the Missouri State Highway Patrol. The most popular night of the classes is always the firearms night. Members of the class are given firearms instruction and then an opportunity to shoot a machine gun. Thanks to the Troop A SWAT, the class also had the chance to experience a flash bang.

The most stressful night for the students is the "Stop and Approach" session. Each participant makes a nighttime, mock car stop in the parking



It's graduation day for the members of Troop H's 2006 Community Alliance Program.

lot of Troop H. The participant is armed with a .38-caliber revolver loaded with cotton ammunition. The violators were Corporals Donald R. Tyes and Tyson B. Gardner, who were armed with the same type of weapons. The class soon found just how difficult conducting a safe car stop was. Not one of them saw the .38-caliber revolver sitting on the dash, and each one of them wound up with the same fate.

The Community Alliance is a good tool to foster relationships which are carried back to each of the communities where the students reside. Every year, each one of the participants leaves the class with a basic knowledge of the Patrol and a feeling of support toward troopers, after having spent a small amount of time in their shoes.

RETIREMENTS

Lt. Robert H. "Bob" Rothrock



The Missouri State Highway Patrol honors Lieutenant Robert H. "Bob" Rothrock for his 31 years of dedicated service with the announcement of his retirement. Bob has proudly served the Patrol throughout his career and leaves the organization better because of his service.

Bob was born in Joplin, MO, and graduated from Washington High School in Washington, MO, in 1968. After graduating from high school, Bob enlisted in the United States Marine Corps, and served from 1969 to 1972 as infantry and reconnaissance. He served in both the 1st Reconnaissance BTN/1st Marine Division and the 2nd Reconnaissance BTN/2nd Marine division.

Upon entering the Patrol in May 1975, Bob was assigned to Troop C, St. Louis, Jefferson County. In 1977, he was assigned to St. Charles County where he worked until his promotion to corporal in 1987. At that time, he was transferred to Jefferson County. Bob was also assigned to marijuana eradication while in St. Charles County. Bob gained his third stripe in 1992, and was designated zone commander for St. Louis/Jefferson County. In 1998, he accepted a promotion to lieutenant of operations in Troop D, Springfield. He directed SWAT, marijuana eradication, and driver examiners, and coordinated all special events that took place in the 18-county Troop D area.

Bob graduated from University of Missouri-St. Louis with a bachelor's of

science degree in administration criminal justice. He is member of National Tactical Officers Association and attended the three-month National FBI Academy.

Bob is married to Carlene and together they have three children: Jessica, Joe, and Krista. They have one grandchild, Luc, who is the son of Jessica and son-in-law Brian Woolbright. Liz is a daughter-in-law and married to Joe.

No doubt Bob has something lined up after retirement. But, for those of you who know him, if you were to ask him, his response would be, "I can't tell ya, or I'd have to kill ya."

Boy, are things going to be a lot quieter around here! Troop D employees and staff wish the best to Bob and his family.

Sgt. Larry M. Bodenhamer



Sergeant Larry M. Bodenhamer retired as a member of the Missouri State Highway Patrol on November 1, 2006, after over 31 years of service. Larry spent the last 21 years of his career as a criminal investigator in the Division of Drug and Crime Control.

He was accepted into the 44th Recruit Class after graduating from Central Missouri State University in 1974. He started the Academy on January 1, 1975. After graduation in May 1975, Larry was assigned to Troop H, Zone 5, St. Joseph, and also worked marijuana eradication for three years. Effective September 1, 1985, he was assigned as a lottery/gaming investi-

gator in DDCC. In 1987, Larry was one of three original officers assigned to the Buchanan County Drug Strike.

He was promoted to corporal in 1987. In 1992, he was promoted to sergeant and assigned as Troop H DDCC unit supervisor. In 2000, he requested a transfer to the Troop A DDCC unit. In October 2001, Larry was selected as an investigator in the newly created Organized Crime/Anti-Terrorism Unit. In December 2001, he was assigned to the FBI Joint Terrorism Task Force in Kansas City. In 2004, he transferred back to the Troop A DDCC unit.

Larry worked a multitude of special assignments including the MU football detail, the state fair, the KCPD murder squad, and the 2003 U.S. Women's Open golf tournament.

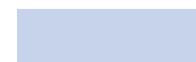
Larry grew up in Wellington, MO, and began dating his wife, Karen, when they were freshman in high school. His two children live in Kansas City, where his son, David, is a KCPD officer, and his daughter, Amy, works for the Cerner Corporation.

Larry was proud to be a member of the Missouri State Highway Patrol and to have been in the 44th Recruit Class. He remains close to a number of his classmates. He also wanted to recognize all of the dedicated officers and employees he had the privilege to serve with in his career.

Larry and his wife plan to play as many golf courses and explore as many beaches as possible.

March

March 2



- **Tpr. J.M. Froemsdorf** died in 1985.

March 11



- **Central Daylight** Time begins 0200 hours.

March 20



- **Sgt. C.D. Graham Jr.** died in 2005.

RETIREMENTS

DE III Fred J. Burgess



Effective December 31, 2006, Driver Examiner III Fred J. Burgess will retire, after proudly serving for over 30 years.

Fred's career with the Patrol began on March 15, 1976, when he was hired to administer driving tests for the Troop I area. On September 15, 1976, he was promoted to the position of Driver Examiner II, and then again promoted on March 15, 1977, to the position of Driver Examiner III.

Fred commented that he always enjoyed the people he had the opportunity to work with at Troop I. He added that it has also been a pleasure to work with the public. Fred also stated that he feels very fortunate to have met people of different walks of life and from all over the world.

Realizing the importance of the responsibility of deciding who should and should not receive a driver's license, Fred said, "I have always tried to treat everyone fairly and impartially, and always tried to make everyone feel comfortable. I quickly learned that putting the new driver at ease increased the probability of that person passing the test and having a safe exam."

Following his retirement from the Patrol, Fred said he would continue writing, working, and putting together the "Missouri Outdoor Journal", along with his other favorite hobbies of fishing and turkey hunting. Fred is also looking forward to he and his wife, Julia, having more time to enjoy and spoil their three grandsons Hunter, Cole, and Robert.

To celebrate Fred's dedication to his 30-year career with the Patrol, friends and family hosted a retirement coffee at Troop I on Friday, December 29.

Clerk Typist III Kenda L. Thomas



It is with tremendous gratitude for 24 years of dedicated service the Missouri State Highway Patrol announces the retirement of Kenda L. Thomas. Kenda was born in Miller, MO, and graduated from Miller High School. She first began her career with the Patrol in 1980 as a driver examiner clerk, and was later promoted to a driver examiner. In 1990, Kenda joined the Patrol clerical staff in criminal records, and in 2004, she was promoted to Clerk Typist III, the position she has held until her recent retirement.

Kenda is married to William (Dick) Thomas who is a retired Troop D chief commercial vehicle officer. Together they have a son, Daren, and a daughter, Kelly, as well as seven grandchildren, who reside in the immediate Springfield and Marshfield areas.

MSHP

No snowflake in an avalanche
ever feels responsible.

— Stanislaw J. Lec

Family Pictures Foil Bank Robbery Spree

By **Sgt. D.J. Hedrick, Troop A**

On November 24, 2006, Asst. Chief Tele. Eng. M. Wayne Clinesmith, his wife, Karen, and his son, Jason, were waiting to have their family pictures taken in Platte Woods, MO, area, when Wayne observed a black male acting suspiciously. The man walked into Enterprise Bank & Trust, located at Prairie View Road. Moments later, the subject was seen running from the bank and entering a blue, Chrysler van. Wayne observed a bank teller run outside and asked her if the bank had just been robbed. The teller confirmed Wayne's suspicions.

Wayne immediately called 9-1-1 and informed the Kansas City Police Department of the bank robbery. He then started following the getaway vehicle at a safe distance, keeping local law enforcement agencies abreast of their location. Wayne also called Troop A's Communications Division, and with the assistance of Asst. Chief Telecom. Eng. Teresa J. Fewell and Chief Telecom. Eng. Dennis M. McCarthy, Wayne was able to help coordinate the responses of local enforcement departments. Platte City Police Officer Stackhouse was able to intercept the suspect vehicle. He and three Platte County deputies arrested three subjects. The subjects were arrested without incident and released to federal law enforcement officers who had responded to the scene. Two male subjects and one female subject were believed to be responsible or at least involved in a minimum of seven bank robberies in Atchison, KS, Kansas City, St. Joseph, and Platte City, MO.

Since this incident, Wayne has retired from the Missouri State Highway Patrol. His retirement party was held on December 15, 2006, and celebrated 26 years of dedicated service in the Communication Division. Wayne gives credit to his wife and son with helping to capture the bank robbery suspects.

Good work, Wayne!

Investigators Gather For National Homicide Seminar

Submitted By DDCC

The Missouri State Highway Patrol's Division of Drug and Crime Control, in cooperation with the Missouri State Troopers Association, hosted its 5th National Homicide Seminar at the Westin Crown Center Hotel and Heartland Theater, Sunday, October 15, through Thursday, October 19, 2006. The seminar is structured for the advanced homicide investigator and consisted of presentations from some of the most renowned instructors in the world. The instructors represented different fields of homicide investigation, such as: medical, forensic, scientific, and legal.

Over 189 officers from 86 departments in 28 states were in attendance. The seminar featured nationally renowned experts and speakers from throughout the criminal justice community.

Speakers who made presentations include:

- **Dr. Henry Lee, Ph.D.,** *Criminology*, is chief emeritus of the Connecticut State Police Laboratory. He is world renowned for his expertise in the fields of forensic science, forensic serology, forensic medicine, and crime scene investigation and reconstruction. Dr. Lee is generally recognized as the foremost authority on crime scene investigation and criminalistic application. Dr. Lee has authored or coauthored over 20 books.
- **Retired Lieutenant Colonel Dave Grossman,** *Killology*, is an internationally recognized scholar, author, soldier, and



The 2006 National Homicide Seminar attendees are pictured.

speaker. He is one of the world's foremost experts in the field of human aggression and the roots of violence and violent crime.

- **Special Agent Larry Thomas,** author of *BTK KILLER*, gave an overview of the BTK Killer case in Wichita, KS. This segment covered the investigation, arrest, confession, and conviction of serial killer Dennis Rader.
- **Mr. Christopher H. Asplen,** author of *DNA EVIDENCE*, is a former U.S. Attorney in Washington, D.C., who is now a member of the law firm of Smith Alling Lane. Mr. Asplen's topics included what every law enforcement officer should know about DNA evidence, DNA issues and answers regarding homicide investigations, and an insight to the future DNA evidence.
- **Lt. Tracy Harpster,** Moraine Police Department, author of *INTERPRETATION OF 9-1-1 CALLS*, presented a method to

analyze the validity of 9-1-1 calls to determine if the caller is a victim or the perpetrator.

- **Dr. Lee Meadows Jantz,** author of *FORENSIC ANTHROPOLOGY/"BODY FARM"*, is the coordinator of the Forensics Anthropology Center at the University of Tennessee—Knoxville. Dr. Jantz' presentation included the topic of the "body farm" and the stages of body decomposition, insect activity, human identification of skeletal remains, and other factors that are crucial in making time-of-death estimates.
- **Mr. Roy Hazelwood,** author of *SADISTIC SERIAL KILLERS*, is one of the world's most famous profilers and was among the original profilers in the FBI's Behavioral Science Unit. Mr. Hazelwood is credited with developing the distinction between "organized" and "disorganized" murderers. His topics included an overview of sadistic serial killer cases.

Fugett Named Unsung Hero

By Sgt. Daniel S. Bracker,
Troop D

On December 8, 2006, Special Olympics presented Trooper Jeff Fugett, Troop D, an Unsung Hero Award at the Capitol Plaza in Jefferson City. The event was attended by troop commanders and division directors from the Missouri State Highway Patrol and Special Olympics' representatives.

The recipient of the award is selected by each region coordinator to give recognition to the individual who is the unsung hero in his or her region. Jeff is one of 2,500 officers who participate in the Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics. He has given his time selling T-shirts, organizing the annual Harley Raffle, and plunging into the freezing water at the Polar Plunge in Branson. Jeff attends the annual International Torch Run Conference each year and beginning in 2007, he will serve on the statewide Law Enforcement Torch Run committee as assistant coordinator for Region 5.

The Patrol commends Jeff and is proud of the work and dedication Jeff puts toward Special Olympics. The special athletes Jeff serves through Special Olympics live better lives due to his commitment and service.



Tpr. Jeff Fugett accepts an Unsung Hero Award.

Looking Back ... in the Patrol News

35 Years ago

January 1972 — A tribute to the Construction and Maintenance Division was the feature story. One story told about a videotape production school held at the Academy. A photo showed Tpr. N.L. Weidenbenner, Troop C, pointing to a bullet hole in his patrol vehicle. The hole was located between the left rear passenger door and the back window. It was apparently caused by a stray bullet (nearsighted deer hunter?) on the second day of deer season.

30 years ago

February 1977 — Approximately 85 members of the Patrol served on the gubernatorial inauguration detail for Missouri's new Governor Joseph P. Teasdale.

25 years ago

January 1982 — A feature article showed the Crime Laboratory Division at work and explained what the criminalists do. An article by Tpr. L.W. Tuschhoff, Troop G, told about an experience taking a prisoner to the Texas County Jail. It was discovered the man could move his handcuffed hands in front of him and then get out of them. (He showed the troopers at the jail after they became curious.) Turns out, he had been an escape artist in the circus!

15 years ago

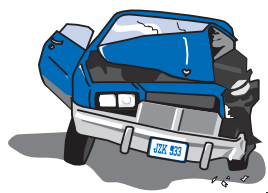
February 1992 — The Governor's Security Division shared a story about Gov. John Ashcroft's trip to Moscow. The Statistical Analysis Center (SAC) in the Information Systems Division was featured.

10 years ago

January 1997 — The Bingo Unit within the Gaming Division was featured. Missouri's new license plate was explained. Troop A Motor Vehicle Inspection personnel helped recover stolen vehicles. The Sixth Commercial Vehicle Officer Class graduated.

5 years ago

February 2002 — A patriotic Christmas tree located in Troop A graced this issue's front cover. The tree was decorated with small U.S. flags and framed pictures of the MSHP officers killed in the line of duty from 1931 through 2001.



Traffic Fatalities

Year to Date Dec. 9, 2006	Same Period Last Year Year to Date	Number of Increase or Decrease	2004 Traffic Fatalities	2005 Traffic Fatalities
1014	1197	-183	1130	1257

Note: These totals do not include late deaths.

How About A Nice, Cold—Book

By MVI III Charles G. McMillan, Troop D

It was late in October on a Saturday afternoon ... The next day would bring a time change as Daylight Savings came to an end. Fall back—one more hour of sleep. Ahhhh! However, on this day Sergeant Jack McMullin was not asleep. He was patrolling Interstate 44 in Greene County near Springfield.

Sgt. McMullin received a phone call from CVO II Rick L. Talbert saying he needed his assistance at the Highway Patrol scale house. CVO Talbert was with a truck driver who was behaving in a suspicious manner. He observed the driver exit the tractor and immediately turn the reefer off. (This is not normal.)

Sgt. McMullin obtained paperwork from the driver and noticed that the “Bill of Lading” was xeroxed and handwritten. The product in the truck

was apparently books and catalogs. These were items CVO II Talbert and Sgt. McMullin didn’t think needed to be refrigerated.



When the driver was asked by Sgt. McMullin why he turned the reefer off he denied ever doing so.

CVO II Talbert felt around the motor of the reefer, and it was still warm to the touch. It had been running. Due to the actions of the driver, his comments, and the condition of the paperwork, Sgt. McMullin asked the driver for permission to search the tractor and trailer. The driver said, “Sure.”

CVO II Talbert attended to the driver while Sgt. McMullin looked at the reefer, which appeared to have a handmade piece of metal attached with after market screws. He pulled part of the metal back to expose the contents. He saw bundles taped with duct tape. His knife pierced the skin of a bundle and he pulled the blade out covered with a white substance that he *knew* was cocaine.

At this time the driver was mirandized and arrested. A thorough inspection resulted in 90 packages (with a cumulative weight of approximately 250 pounds) of pure cocaine. The driver agreed to participate in a controlled delivery, but that’s another story.

This Is Why We Have Safety Inspections

By MVI III Charles G. McMillan, Troop D

Motor Vehicle Inspector Sprv. Eric W. Gibson answered the phone and found Terry’s Auto Repair in Springfield on the line. A customer had brought in a 1989 Chevrolet pickup truck for a safety inspection. During the course of that inspection, Terry discovered the Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) plate had been put on with round rivets. Terry wanted to know what he should do. (This vehicle should have rosette shaped rivets securing the VIN plate.)

MVI Sprv. Gibson requested the customer bring the vehicle to Troop D Headquarters for further inspection. The customer had just purchased the vehicle from a car lot in Springfield. MVI Sprv. Gibson discovered the VIN plate was secured with glue and the rivets were round. The confidential vehicle identification number showed the correct

identification of the vehicle, and a computer inquiry revealed the vehicle was stolen in July 2006!

MVI Sprv. Gibson was determined to find out more about this vehicle. He found the owner to be an 82-year-old man named Emery. Emery said he just had liability insurance on the vehicle. MVI Sprv. Gibson asked Emery to come to Troop D and positively identify the vehicle.

Emery saw the vehicle and said it “really looks different”. His vehicle had running boards, this one didn’t. His vehicle had a camper shell, this one didn’t ... and the wheels were different. Hmmm, is this really Emery’s truck?

Emery had a spare key, so he put it in the door. Voila! It opened. Emery’s face beamed with a bright smile and his eyes twinkled. He was happy.

He then said, “I just bought a battery from Race Brothers before it was stolen.”

He raised the hood and the words Race Brothers were affixed to the battery. There was no doubt—Emery had been reunited with his stolen pickup!

All of this was possible because Missouri has a safety inspection program.



For Crying Out Loud!

Passenger Says No Drugs; Tears Indicate Differently

By MVI III Charles G. McMillan, Troop D

It was three days before the time to celebrate Thanksgiving, but this day there would be two that would find it difficult to be thankful. You see, they made a conscious choice to conceal cocaine in a false compartment located inside their truck and then transport it across state lines for distribution.

Commercial Vehicle Officer II Ricky L. Talbert and Commercial Vehicle Officer Supervisor I J. David Brooks stopped a tractor-trailer on Interstate 44 near Route 125 in Greene County. During the routine inspection, they saw signs that led them to believe something was awry. (Perhaps the use of copious amounts of air fresheners?) The driver and his passenger appeared to be on edge and nervous at the presence of law enforcement. Their logbook had discrepancies and showed extensive off time. CVO Brooks contacted Ser-

geant Matthew K. Funderburk and asked that he come to their location for further investigation.

Sgt. Funderburk requested a criminal history on the subjects, and found that they had extensive criminal backgrounds—including arrests for drugs.

When asked about the discrepancies in his logbook, the driver just “shrugged” his shoulders. The passenger stated he was riding with the driver to Chicago to see about the trucking business and that he did not possess a CDL. He said he had been arrested for stealing a car and nothing else. When Sgt. Funderburk asked him if there was anything illegal inside the truck, he began to cry and stated, “No.”

Sgt. Funderburk asked for and received permission to search the truck. He entered the sleeper area and raised the bottom bunk, and noticed the floor had been raised ap-

proximately 10 inches, thus creating a void underneath.

CVO Talbert used a screwdriver to pry up the front corner of the compartment and in doing so discovered bundles wrapped in black tape. Sgt. Funderburk cut into one of the bundles and found a white powder inside. It later tested positive for cocaine.

At this time, Sgt. Funderburk placed both subjects under arrest and read the Miranda warning, which they both acknowledged that they understood. The subjects were turned over to DDCC officers. Sgt. Daniel P. Banasik later told Sgt. Funderburk that the driver admitted knowing about the cocaine and even showed them how to operate the mechanical system allowing easy access to the compartment. A total of 56 bundles weighing approximately 140 pounds were seized.



HO HO HO

This little one got to meet Santa for the first time. Does he look familiar? (Hint: Think Troop G ... Communications.)

DEATHS

James D. Hannah



James David Hannah, 69, of Jefferson City, died Friday, October 13, 2006, at Barnes Jewish Hospital in St. Louis, MO. He was born on October 4, 1937, in Miller County, the son of the late Leslie and Fannie (Law) Hannah.

He was married May 27, 1961, at Ninth Street Christian Church to Bonnie (Wilson) Hannah, who survives at the home. Mr. Hannah was a 1955 graduate of the Iberia High School, and attended CMSU in Warrensburg, MO. He served in the United States Air Force from 1955-1959, at Lackland Air Force Base in Texas, and was also stationed overseas in Iceland. He was employed with the Missouri State Highway Patrol for 38 years until his retirement in 1999.

His hobby after retirement was repairing sewing machines. He was a longtime member of the Capital City Christian Church, and participated every year in the Journey to Bethlehem program as the blacksmith.

He is also survived by two daughters, Lisa Haynes (and husband, David) of Chesterfield, MO, and Christina Dudenhoeffer (and husband, Keith) of Jefferson City. Other survivors include: three grandchildren, Jordan and Kylie Haynes, and Ashley Dudenhoeffer; three brothers and their wives, Lyman and Claudeen Hannah, of Warrensburg, Barry and Cindy Hannah, of Springfield, Kent and Melody Hannah, of Eldon; and one sister, Judith Myers and her hus-

band, Jim; and several nieces and nephews.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to the Mt. Pleasant Cemetery in Mt. Pleasant, MO.

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Rudolph H. Hartenstein



Mr. Rudolph H. Hartenstein, 82, of Jefferson City, MO, died Saturday, October 28, 2006, at his home. Mr. Hartenstein was born February 24, 1924, in Jefferson City, the son of Otto G. and Agnes E. Linsenbardt Hartenstein, both deceased.

He was married June 19, 1949, at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Honey Creek, MO, to Dorothy M. Propst, who survives at the home. A lifelong resident of the Jefferson City area, Mr. Hartenstein served in the United States Army in the South Pacific Theatre during World War II and was awarded a Bronze Star. A lifelong farmer, Mr. Hartenstein was also employed as a bricklayer with the Hammond Masonry Company, and later with the Missouri State Highway Patrol for 20 years until his retirement in 1989. He was a member of St. Johns Lutheran Church at Stringtown, Mo. and a life member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Roy Sone Post 1003.

Other survivors include: one daughter, Carolyn A. Case, and her husband, Pat, of Jefferson City; one brother, Ernest G. Hartenstein, and his wife, Mell, of Jefferson City; two grandchildren, Joan B. Pierson, and

her husband, Kenneth, of Kansas City, MO; and James R. Case and his wife, Jeanne, of Jefferson City; and three great-grandchildren, Perrin V. Pierson, Taylor B. Case, and Ryleigh R. Case.

Those desiring may make memorial contributions to the Hospice of Jefferson City and Mid-Missouri or the Bethesda Lutheran Home.

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Arlin D. Basinger



Mr. Arlin D. Basinger, 78, of Rocky Mount, MO and a former Jefferson City resident, died Wednesday, October 25, 2006, at St. Mary's Health Center. Mr. Basinger was born October 12, 1928, in Callaway County, MO, the son of Elisha S. and Leatha M. Bugbee Basinger, both deceased.

He was married on November 4, 1950, to Doris Lee Propst. He was also married to Mabel Mahan. On April 20, 2002, at Eldon, MO, he married Evelyn Moran, who survives at the home. A lifelong resident of the central Missouri area, Basinger attended Jefferson City High School. He was employed as a communication officer with the Missouri State Highway Patrol for 35 years. He was a member of Shiloh Methodist Church in Holts Summit; a 50 year member and past president of the Fraternal Order of the Eagles, Aerie 2693; a member of the Jefferson Lodge No. 43, A.F. & A.M.; a member of the Capital Shrine Club; a member of the

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DEATHS

—Basinger

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Moolah Temple, St. Louis, MO; a member of the Missouri State Troopers Association; and a member of AMVETS in Rocky Mount.

Other survivors include: two daughters, Pam Erickson, of Jefferson City, and Nancy Krieg, of Kansas City; one sister, Guanita Jinks, and her husband, Paul, of Jefferson City; four stepsons, Edward Moran and his wife, Kathy, of St. Louis, Michael Moran, of St. Charles, MO, Joseph Moran and his wife, Donna, of St. Charles, and Robert

Brown, of Jefferson City; one step-daughter, Donna Hatfield and her husband, Dick, of Jefferson City; two grandchildren, Kale Erickson and Kristofer Erickson; and several great-grandchildren and stepgrandchildren.

Baysinger was preceded in death by two brothers, Wyman Basinger and Harold Basinger.

Those desiring may make memorial contributions to the American Cancer Society or the Shriners Crippled Childrens Hospital, St. Louis.

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Thank You

Words can not express the sincere appreciation my family feels toward the employees of the Highway Patrol. After our house burned down, we were lost and didn't know where to turn. It was amazing the amount of people that gave us money, clothes, and household items, and continued to pray for us. You will always hold a special place in our hearts, and we will never forget how generous you have been. They always say things happen for a reason, and we feel really blessed to have so many friends.

Fingerprint Tech. Sprv. Tammy R. Byrd

Q/CRID

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I wish to express my sincere gratitude for all the kind thoughts and prayers during the loss of my grandmother. I truly appreciate all of the cards, e-mails, and phone calls I received. I especially want to thank PIED for the beautiful memorial angel they sent. Thank You.

Staff Artist III Erin M. Center
Q/PIED

Insurance Update

Employees enrolled in the MoDOT/MSHP Medical Plan were recently notified that St. Louis University and Des Peres hospitals were terminating their contracts with HealthLink. HealthLink has resolved the contract issues and have come to an agreement with St. Louis University and Des Peres Hospitals to continue as in-network providers. Therefore, their contracts will **not** be terminating effective January 1, 2007. If you have any questions concerning in-network providers, please contact HealthLink toll-free at 800-624-2356.

Sympathy

Our deepest sympathy goes to the following personnel who have lost a member of their family:

CIT Trainee James L. Roberson (Q/ISD) - father
Cpl. Harold L. Driemeier (C) - stepfather
Cpl. J.A. Parsley (E) - grandmother
Cpl. Owen W. Hinkle (C) - mother-in-law
DE III Carole A. Reese (D) - brother
Ret. Director of Radio Donald L. Johnson - mother-in-law
Staff Artist III Erin M. Center (Q/PIED) - grandmother
Clerk IV Julie A. Peters (F) - grandmother
Ret. Chief DE Connie H. Kreutz - grandmother
Clerk Typist III Lisa L. Kempker (F) - aunt
Spec. Asst. Pamela A. Brauner (Q/FOB) - grandmother-in-law

DE III Christy D. Hillhouse (G) - sister
Sgt. Roger D. Hillhouse (G) - sister-in-law
Cpl. E. Wes Mann (G) - mother
DE Sprv. Randy S. Markum (E) - stepfather
Sgt. David M. Markum (E) - stepfather-in-law
Tpr. Todd P. Watson (E) - grandfather
Ret. Major Donald Shelton - stepmother
MVI Sprv. Michael P. Kelly (B) - grandmother-in-law
Ret. Sgt. Larry Murdock - mother
Sgt. Brian N. Anderson (B) - grandmother-in-law
Criminalist II Jamie L. Snodgrass (Q/CLD) - father
Lead Radio Personnel Robert S. Chaney III (G) - sister
MVI III Janna K. Clamme (I) - niece

Cpl. Jason M. Pace (D) - grandfather
Ret. Major Michael B. Pace - father
CVO Sprv. I Rickey J. Burnett (E) - sister
Tpr. Dave A. Huffman (G) - grandfather-in-law
CIT III Jeanne V. Livers (Q/ISD) - brother
CIT I Jeffrey M. Henley (Q/ISD) - mother-in-law
CIT III Douglas A. Hamacher (Q/ISD) - grandmother
Captain Kim E. Hull (Q/TSB) - aunt
Captain J. Timothy Hull (Q/PIED) - aunt
CIT Spec. I Mark A. Blume (Q/ISD) - father

Pass The Buck!

Sgt. Funderburk Looks Beyond The Stop

By MVI III Charles G. McMillan, Troop D

Sergeant Matthew K. Funderburk was observing traffic on Interstate 44 east of Missouri Route 13 in Greene County when a Freightliner tractor passed by rather quickly. A radar check indicated he was doing 68 mph in a 60 mph zone.

Sgt. Funderburk activated his emergency lights and stopped the tractor just west of Missouri Route 266. He approached the vehicle from the passenger side. He told the driver why he had stopped him and asked to see his license, registration, and logbook. As he was waiting for the driver to produce the items he requested, he observed several "Christmas Tree" air

fresheners hanging throughout the cab and sleeper berth.

The driver appeared nervous. He averted his eyes and was visibly shaking when he handed the items to Sgt. Funderburk.

The driver stated that he was hauling tractors from Indiana to Texas, and asked Sgt. Funderburk if he wanted to look in his trailer at his load. The officer asked to see his emergency triangles and fire extinguisher. He asked the driver to raise the bottom bunk, so they wouldn't have to get into traffic. The driver entered the berth and

raised the bottom bunk. At this time, Sgt. Funderburk observed the middle compartment was empty, the driver's side contained the orange box of triangles and a small amount of tools; a large duffle bag was in the passenger's side compartment.

The driver appeared nervous as he pulled the box of triangles out of the driver's side compartment and began to try to open the box. He kept trying to open the box from the hinged side even after Sgt. Funderburk told him he was opening it from the wrong side.

Sgt. Funderburk asked the driver what was in the duffle bag, and the driver said clothes. He asked for and received permission to search the bag. Inside, Sgt. Funderburk found several bundles of currency. He asked the driver how much money was there and was told "over \$100,000". The driver said a guy gave it to him in a rest area in Indiana. He was supposed to take it to Texas with him. Sgt. Funderburk then asked the driver to follow him to Troop D for further investigation.

Sixty-six bundles of U.S. currency were discovered. The total amounted to \$329,870. The driver signed a property record, and at that time the money was passed to him. After the driver received the money, the Drug Enforcement Agency seized the currency.



Sgt. Matthew K. Funderburk's inquiries led to the discovery of 66 bundles of cash during a traffic stop.

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